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Mr. Speaker, as a freshman Member of Congress from the State of Maine, I was privileged to be able to turn to Senator Muskie for encouragement and advice. He was a mentor to me, and to countless others of my generation. I am pleased that we are honoring him today, and I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

Mr. ROHRABACHER. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the initial request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the Senate amendments to H.R. 4036.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

PRESIDENTIAL AND EXECUTIVE OFFICE ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Mr. CLINGER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 3452) to make certain laws applicable to the Executive Office of the President, and for other purposes, with Senate amendments thereto, and concur in the Senate amendments.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Clerk read the Senate amendments, as follows:

Senate amendments:

In section 1(b), strike the items relating to sections 4 through 9, and insert the following:

Sec. 4. Applicability of future employment laws.

Sec. 5. Repeal of section 303 of the Government Employee Rights Act of 1991.

In the table of contents relating to title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), redesignate the item relating to section 420 as an item relating to section 421.

In the table of contents relating to title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), redesignate the item relating to section 430 as an item relating to section 431.

In the table of contents relating to title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), in the item relating to subchapter III, strike the hyphen and insert a space.

In the table of contents relating to title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the item relating to section 457.

In the table of contents for title 3, United States Code (as amended by section 2), strike

the items relating to subchapters IV and V and insert the following:

"SUBCHAPTER IV—EFFECTIVE DATE

"471. Effective date."

In section 401 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), insert before "Except" the following:

"(a) IN GENERAL.—"

In section 401 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), add at the end the following:

"(b) DEFINITIONS RELATING TO CERTAIN MATTERS.—For purposes of applying this chapter with respect to any practice or other matter—

"(1) to which section 411 relates, the terms 'employing office' and 'covered employee' shall each be considered to have the meaning given to the term by such section;

"(2) to which section 412 relates, the term 'covered employee' means a covered employee described in section 412(a)(2)(B);

"(3) to which section 413 relates, the term 'covered employee' excludes interns and volunteers, as described in section 413(a)(2); and

"(4) to which section 416 relates, the term 'covered employee' means a covered employee described in section 416(a)(2)."

In section 411 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), redesignate subsection (d) as subsection (e).

In section 411 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated) insert after subsection (c) the following:

"(d) REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT SECTION.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The President, or the designee of the President, shall issue regulations to implement paragraphs (1) and (3) of subsection (a) and paragraphs (1) and (3) of subsection (b).

"(2) AGENCY REGULATIONS.—The regulations issued under paragraph (1) shall be the same as substantive regulations promulgated by the appropriate officer of an executive agency to implement the statutory provisions referred to in paragraphs (1) and (3) of subsection (a) and paragraphs (1) and (3) of subsection (b)—

"(A) except to the extent that the President or designee may determine, for good cause shown and stated together with the regulation, that a modification of such regulations would be more effective for the implementation of the rights and protections under this section; and

"(B) except that the President or designee may, at the discretion of the President or designee, issue regulations to implement a provision of section 717 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 or section 501 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 that applies to employees in the executive branch of the Federal Government in lieu of an analogous statutory provision referred to in paragraph (1) or (3) of subsection (a) or paragraph (1) or (3) of subsection (b), if the issuance of such regulations—

"(i) would be equally effective for the implementation of the rights and protections under this section; and

"(ii) would promote uniformity in the application of Federal law to employees in the executive branch of the Federal Government."

In section 411 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), add at the end the following:

"(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect on October 1, 1997."

In section 412(b) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike "such damages" and insert "such remedy".

In section 412 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), add at the end the following:

"(c) REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT SECTION.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The President, or the designee of the President, shall issue regulations to implement this section.

"(2) AGENCY REGULATIONS.—The regulations issued under paragraph (1) shall be the same as substantive regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Labor to implement the statutory provisions referred to in subsections (a) and (b)—

"(A) except to the extent that the President or designee may determine, for good cause shown and stated together with the regulation, that a modification of such regulations would be more effective for the implementation of the rights and protections under this section; and

"(B) except that the President or designee may, at the discretion of the President or designee, issue regulations to implement a provision of subchapter V of chapter 63 of title 5, United States Code, that applies to employees in the executive branch of the Federal Government in lieu of an analogous statutory provision referred to in subsection (a) or (b), if the issuance of such regulations—

"(i) would be equally effective for the implementation of the rights and protections under this section; and

"(ii) would promote uniformity in the application of Federal law to employees in the executive branch of the Federal Government.

"(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect on the earlier of—

"(1) the effective date of regulations issued under subsection (c); or

"(2) October 1, 1998."

In section 413(c)(1) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike "President" and insert "President, or the designee of the President."

In section 413(c)(2) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike "subsection (a) except insofar as the President" and insert "subsections (a) and (b) except to the extent that the President or designee"

In section 413(c)(3) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike "President" and insert "President or designee".

In section 413 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), add at the end the following:

"(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect on the earlier of—

"(1) the effective date of regulations issued under subsection (c); or

"(2) October 1, 1998."

In section 414(c)(1) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike "President" and insert "President, or the designee of the President."

In section 414(c)(2) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike "insofar as the President" and insert "to the extent that the President or designee"

In section 414 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), add at the end the following:

"(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect on the earlier of—

"(1) the effective date of regulations issued under subsection (c); or

"(2) October 1, 1998."

In section 415(a)(2)(A) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike "does not succeed himself" and insert "is not elected to a successive term".

In section 415(c)(1) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike "President" and insert "President, or the designee of the President."

In section 415(c)(2) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike "subsection (a) except insofar as the President" and insert "subsections (a) and (b) except to the extent that the President or designee"

In section 415 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), add at the end the following:

“(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect on the earlier of—

“(1) the effective date of regulations issued under subsection (c); or

“(2) October 1, 1998.”

In section 416(c)(1) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “President” and insert “President, or the designee of the President.”

In section 416(c) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike paragraph (2) and insert the following:

“(2) AGENCY REGULATIONS.—The regulations issued under paragraph (1) shall be the same as substantive regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Labor to implement the statutory provisions referred to in subsections (a) and (b)—

“(A) except to the extent that the President or designee may determine, for good cause shown and stated together with the regulation, that a modification of such regulations would be more effective for the implementation of the rights and protections under this section; and

“(B) except that the President or designee may, at the discretion of the President or designee, issue regulations to implement a provision of section 4314 or 4324 of title 38, United States Code, that applies to employees in the executive branch of the Federal Government in lieu of an analogous statutory provision referred to in subsection (a) or (b), if the issuance of such regulations—

“(i) would be equally effective for the implementation of the rights and protections under this section; and

“(ii) would promote uniformity in the application of Federal law to employees in the executive branch of the Federal Government.”

In section 416 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), add at the end the following:

“(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect on the earlier of—

“(1) the effective date of regulations issued under subsection (c); or

“(2) October 1, 1998.”

In section 417 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike subsection (c).

In section 420 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “420.” and insert “421.”

In section 421 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), add at the end the following:

“(d) REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT SECTION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The President, or the designee of the President, shall issue regulations to implement this section.

“(2) AGENCY REGULATIONS.—The regulations issued under paragraph (1) shall be the same as substantive regulations promulgated by the appropriate officer of an executive agency to implement the statutory provisions referred to in subsections (a) and (b)—

“(A) except to the extent that the President or designee may determine, for good cause shown and stated together with the regulation, that a modification of such regulations would be more effective for the implementation of the rights and protections under this section; and

“(B) except that the President or designee may, at the discretion of the President or designee, issue regulations to implement a provision of section 1, 2, 3, or 6 of the Act entitled ‘An Act to insure that certain buildings financed with Federal funds are so designed and constructed as to be accessible to the physically handicapped’, approved August 12, 1968 (commonly known as the ‘Architectural Barriers Act of 1968’) or section 501 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 that applies to agencies of the executive branch of the Federal Government in lieu of an analogous

statutory provision referred to in subsection (a) or (b), if the issuance of such regulations—

“(i) would be equally effective for the implementation of the rights and protections under this section; and

“(ii) would promote uniformity in the application of Federal law to agencies of the executive branch of the Federal Government.

“(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a), (b), and (c) shall take effect on the earlier of—

“(1) the effective date of regulations issued under subsection (d); or

“(2) October 1, 1998.”

In section 425(c)(3)(A) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “he” and insert “the employer”.

In section 425(c)(5) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “appropriate United States circuit court of appeals” and insert “United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit”.

In section 425(d)(1) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “President” and insert “President, or the designee of the President.”

In section 425(d)(2) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “subsection (a) except to the extent that the President” and insert the following: “subsections (a) and (b)—

“(A) except to the extent that the President or designee—

In section 425(d)(2) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the period at the end and insert the following: “; and

“(B) except that the President or designee may, at the discretion of the President or designee, issue regulations to implement a provision of section 19 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 that applies to agencies or employees of the executive branch of the Federal Government in lieu of an analogous statutory provision referred to in subsection (a) or (b), if the issuance of such regulations—

“(i) would be equally effective for the implementation of the rights and protections under this section; and

“(ii) would promote uniformity in the application of Federal law to employees in the executive branch of the Federal Government.”

In section 425 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), add at the end the following:

“(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a) through (c) shall take effect on the earlier of—

“(1) the effective date of regulations issued under subsection (d); or

“(2) October 1, 1998.”

In section 430 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “430.” and insert “431.”

In section 431(c)(2)(B) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), strike “deems” and insert “may determine that a modification of such regulations is”.

In section 431(d)(1) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), strike “Federal Labor Relations”.

In section 431(d)(2)(E) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), strike “Advisors” and insert “Advisers”.

In section 431(d)(2)(G) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), strike the semicolon and insert “; and”.

In section 431(d)(2)(H) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), strike “; and” and insert a period.

In section 431(d)(2) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), strike subparagraph (I).

In section 431 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), add at the end the following:

“(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect on the earlier of—

“(A) the effective date of regulations issued under subsection (c); or

“(B) October 1, 1998.

“(2) CERTAIN EMPLOYING OFFICES.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect, with respect to employing offices, and employees of employing offices, referred to in subsection (d)(2), on the earlier of—

“(A) the effective date of regulations issued under subsection (d); or

“(B) October 1, 1998.”

In section 435(a) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “420” and insert “421”.

In section 435 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike subsection (g) and insert the following:

“(g) POLITICAL AFFILIATION.—It shall not be a violation of any provision of this chapter to consider, or make any employment decision based on, the party affiliation, or political compatibility with the employing office, of an employee who is a covered employee.”

In section 452(a) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “President” and insert “President, or the designee of the President.”

In section 453(1) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “administrative”.

In section 454(a) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), add at the end the following: “The complaint in an action involving such an alleged violation shall be processed under the procedures specified by the President, or the designee of the President, in such regulations as the President or designee may issue.”

In section 454(b)(1) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “other Federal employee” and insert “employee in the executive branch of the Federal Government (other than a covered employee)”.

In section 454(b)(2) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “However, in” and insert “In”.

In section 454(b)(2) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “(c)(1)”.

In section 454(b)(3) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “appropriate circuit court of appeals” and insert “United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit”.

In section 455 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike “President” and insert “President, or the designee of the President.”

In title 3, United States Code (as amended by section 2), strike section 457.

In title 3, United States Code (as amended by section 2), strike subchapter IV.

In title 3, United States Code (as amended by section 2), redesignate subchapter V as subchapter IV.

In title 3, United States Code (as amended by section 2), strike section 481 and insert the following:

“SEC. 471. EFFECTIVE DATE.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, this chapter shall take effect on October 1, 1997.

“(b) REGULATIONS.—Sections 411(d), 412(c), 413(c), 414(c), 415(c), 416(c), 421(d), 425(d), 431(c), 431(d), 452(a), and 454(a) shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act.”

Section 2(b) is amended to read as follows:

(b) REGULATIONS.—Appropriate measures shall be taken to ensure that—

(1) any regulations required to implement section 411 of title 3, United States Code, shall be in effect by October 1, 1997; and

(2) any other regulations needed to implement chapter 5 of title 3, United States Code shall be in effect as soon as practicable, but not later than October 1, 1998.

In section 3(a)(1), strike "(1) Chapter" and insert the following:

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter".

In section 1296(a) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 3(a)(1)), strike "the courts of appeals (other than the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit)" and insert "the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit".

In section 1296(a)(2) of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 3(a)(1)), strike "under chapter" and all that follows through "such title" and insert "made under part D of subchapter II of chapter 5 of title 3, notwithstanding section 7123 of title 5".

In section 1296 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 3(a)(1)), strike subsection (c).

In section 3(a)(2), strike "(2) The table of sections for chapter 158" and insert the following:

"(2) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The table of sections for chapter 83".

In section 3(b)(2)(A), strike "(A) Chapter" and insert the following:

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Chapter".

In section 3(b)(2)(B), strike "(B)" and insert the following:

"(B) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—".

In section 3(b)(3), strike "(A)".

In section 3(b)(3), insert opening quotation marks after "striking".

In section 3(c), strike "PROCEDURE.—" and all that follows through "Part VI" and insert the following: "PROCEDURE.—Part VI".

In section 3903 of title 28, United States Code (as added by section 3(c)), strike "President" and insert "President, the designee of the President, or the Federal Labor Relations Authority".

In section 3905(a) of title 28, United States Code (as added by section 3(c)), strike "420" and insert "421".

In section 3905 of title 28, United States Code (as added by section 3(c)), add at the end the following:

"(c) PUNITIVE DAMAGES.—Except as otherwise provided in chapter 5 of title 3, no punitive damages may be awarded with respect to any claim under chapter 5 of title 3."

In section 3906(2) of title 28, United States Code (as added by section 3(c)), strike "such office" and insert "the office involved".

In title 28, United States Code (as amended by section 3(c)), strike section 3908 and insert the following:

"§3908. Definitions.

"For purposes of applying this chapter, the terms 'employing office' and 'covered employee' have the meanings given those terms in section 401 of title 3."

Section 3(d) is amended to read as follows: (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect on October 1, 1997.

In section 3(e), strike "(1)".

Strike sections 4 and 5.

Strike section 6 and insert the following:

SEC. 4. APPLICABILITY OF FUTURE EMPLOYMENT LAWS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Each provision of Federal law that is made applicable to the legislative branch under section 102 of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1302), and that is enacted later than 12 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, shall be deemed to apply with respect to "employing offices" and "covered employees" (within the meaning of section 401 of title 3, United States Code, as added by this Act), unless such law specifically provides otherwise and expressly cites this section.

(b) REGULATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The President, or the designee of the President, shall issue regulations to implement such provision.

(2) AGENCY REGULATIONS.—The regulations issued under paragraph (1) to implement a provision shall be the same as substantive regulations promulgated by the head of the appropriate executive agency to implement the provision, except to the extent that the President or designee may determine, for good cause shown and stated together with the regulation, that a modification of such regulations would be more effective for the implementation of the rights and protections under the section.

In section 7, in the section heading, strike "320" and insert "303".

In section 7(a), strike "320 of the Government Employee Rights Act of 1991" and insert "303 of the Government Employee Rights Act of 1991 (as redesignated by section 504(a)(3) of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995)".

Section 7(b) is amended to read as follows: (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect on October 1, 1997.

In section 7(c), strike "in which the" and insert "under such section 303 in which a".

Redesignate section 7 as section 5.

Strike sections 8 and 9.

In chapter 5 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the subchapter heading for subchapter I and insert the following:

"SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS".

In chapter 5 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the subchapter heading for subchapter II and insert the following:

"SUBCHAPTER II—EXTENSION OF RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS".

In chapter 5 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the subchapter heading for subchapter III and insert the following:

"SUBCHAPTER III—ADMINISTRATIVE AND JUDICIAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURES".

In chapter 5 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the subchapter heading for subchapter IV (as so redesignated) and insert the following:

"SUBCHAPTER IV—EFFECTIVE DATE".

In section 401 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§401. Definitions".

In section 402 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§402. Application of laws".

In section 411 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§411. Rights and protections under title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990".

In section 412 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§412. Rights and protections under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993".

In section 413 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§413. Rights and protections under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938".

In section 414 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§414. Rights and protections under the Employee Polygraph Protection Act of 1988".

In section 415 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§415. Rights and protections under the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act".

In section 416 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§416. Rights and protections relating to veterans' employment and reemployment".

In section 417 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§417. Prohibition of intimidation or reprisal".

In section 421 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§421. Rights and protections under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990".

In section 425 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§425. Rights and protections under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970; procedures for remedy of violations".

In section 431 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§431. Application of chapter 71 of title 5, relating to Federal service labor-management relations; procedures for remedy of violations".

In section 435 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§435. Generally applicable remedies and limitations".

In section 451 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§451. Procedure for consideration of alleged violations".

In section 452 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§452. Counseling and mediation".

In section 453 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§453. Election of proceeding".

In section 454 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§454. Appropriate agencies".

In section 455 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§455. Effect of failure to issue regulations".

In section 456 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§456. Confidentiality".

In section 471 of title 3, United States Code (as added by section 2 and so redesignated), strike the section heading and insert the following:

"§471. Effective date".

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the reading). Without objection, the Senate amendments are considered as read and printed in the RECORD.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the initial request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I would like to ask the distinguished chairman several questions about this bill.

Mr. Speaker, my understanding is this is to parallel the Congressional Accountability Act, and I know that the House has decided not to allow unions for legislative employees. What are we doing in this bill then vis-a-vis executive branch employees?

Mr. CLINGER. Mr. Speaker, if the gentlewoman will yield, my understanding is this bill tracks the Congressional Accountability Act. I am advised there is no provision in this bill with regard to union representation.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, further reserving the right to object, I thank the gentleman for that. The second question I have is about the inspector general. There were folks saying that the inspector general in the White House is given more authority than the inspector general has under the congressional accountability laws.

Mr. CLINGER. If the gentlewoman would yield further, I would advise the gentlewoman that the provision with regard to inspector general, as well as the provision with regard to chief financial officer which were included in the House-passed version of the bill, were stricken by the Senate and are not included in this unanimous-consent request.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. I see. So basically this is as close a mirror to what the Congressional Accountability Act was, and the areas that we have blocked by just not implementing them, would the White House be allowed to do the same?

Mr. CLINGER. I am sorry, would the gentlewoman repeat the question?

Mrs. SCHROEDER. As the gentleman knows, there have been parts of the Congressional Accountability Act that we have not implemented fully here. Would the White House be allowed that same leeway, to not implement in the areas where the House is not implementing?

Mr. CLINGER. Mr. Speaker, if the gentlewoman would yield further, as I would suggest to the gentlewoman, I think since the act is designed to track the congressional version, obviously if portions of it have not been implemented in the House, they would be deferred in the executive branch as well.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, further reserving the right to object, I thank the gentleman. I am one of the people who really thinks both should be fully under the laws we pass for other people, but in my entire 24 years here we tend to pass it and then exempt all sorts of things. I want to be sure that we have not done that vis-a-vis ourselves, but turned around and done it to the executive branch. I think we ought to be treating both the same. I think we both ought to get rid of all roadblocks and be under the laws that everybody else is under. What the gentleman is assuring me is that his intent is to treat the executive branch

exactly the same way he has treated us through this House.

Mr. CLINGER. If the gentlewoman would yield further, precisely the same way as we are dealt with here in the House.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the initial request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

Mr. MONTGOMERY. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I think the veterans preference that was passed under the Mica bill is not in this bill we are considering now.

Mr. CLINGER. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman would yield, the gentleman is correct. It is not included in this measure.

Mr. MONTGOMERY. The Senate did drop the provisions on the veterans provision.

Mr. CLINGER. The gentleman is correct.

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I strongly support H.R. 3452, the Presidential and Executive Office Accountability Act, as amended by the other body. The basic principle behind this legislation is that the Federal Government should be subject to the same laws and regulations as the private sector. Congress has already passed the Congressional Accountability Act, and there is no good reason why the Executive Office of the President should not also be subject to the same laws as Congress and the private sector.

The other body has improved this bill by deleting two controversial provisions from the House-passed version—one called for a compliance board and the other for establishing an inspector general in the White House. The compliance board would have been unnecessary and overly bureaucratic, as White House employees already have recourse to the Merit Systems Protection Board. The provision establishing an inspector general in the White House was, in my view, costly, unnecessary, and of dubious constitutionality. I am glad that we will have an opportunity for full and open debate on this issue in the future.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 3452 is a good bill, and I want to thank Representative HORN and Chairman CLINGER for their willingness to work with the minority as it made its way through the legislative process.

Mr. MONTGOMERY. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

Mr. SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the initial request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. CLINGER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the Senate amendments to H.R. 3452.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

BLACK REVOLUTIONARY WAR PATRIOTS COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

Mr. DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 1776) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of black Revolutionary War patriots and the 275th anniversary of the first black Revolutionary War patriot, Crispus Attucks, with Senate amendments thereto, and concur in the Senate amendments.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Clerk read the Senate amendments, as follows:

Senate amendments:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) *SHORT TITLE.*—This Act may be cited as the "United States Commemorative Coin Act of 1996".

(b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS.*—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. *Short title; table of contents.*

Sec. 2. *Definitions.*

TITLE I—COMMEMORATIVE COIN PROGRAMS

Sec. 101. *Commemorative coin programs.*

Sec. 102. *Design.*

Sec. 103. *Legal tender.*

Sec. 104. *Sources of bullion.*

Sec. 105. *Quality of coins.*

Sec. 106. *Sale of coins.*

Sec. 107. *General waiver of procurement regulations.*

Sec. 108. *Financial assurances.*

TITLE II—NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MEMORIAL MAINTENANCE FUND

Sec. 201. *National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Maintenance Fund.*

TITLE III—STUDY OF FIFTY STATES COMMEMORATIVE COIN PROGRAM

Sec. 301. *Short title.*

Sec. 302. *Study.*

Sec. 303. *Fixed terms for members of the Citizens Commemorative Coin Advisory Committee.*

Sec. 304. *Mint managerial staffing reform.*

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Act—

(1) the term "Fund" means the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Maintenance Fund established under section 201;

(2) the term "recipient organization" means an organization described in section 101 to which surcharges received by the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under this Act are paid; and

(3) the term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Treasury.

TITLE I—COMMEMORATIVE COIN PROGRAMS

SEC. 101. COMMEMORATIVE COIN PROGRAMS.

In accordance with the recommendations of the Citizens Commemorative Coin Advisory Committee, the Secretary shall mint and issue the following coins:

(1) *DOLLEY MADISON.*—

(A) *IN GENERAL.*—In commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the death of Dolley Madison, the Secretary shall mint and issue not more than 500,000 \$1 coins, each of which shall—

(i) weigh 26.73 grams;

(ii) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

(iii) contain 90 percent silver and 10 percent copper.

(B) *DESIGN OF COINS.*—The design of the coins minted under this paragraph shall be emblematic of the 150th anniversary of the death of